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UM'S 1987 GRADS FIND JOBS

MISSOULA --

Survey results released Tuesday by the University of Montana Office of Career Services indicate that 94 percent of those graduated from UM last year with bachelor's degrees and 98 percent of those graduated with master's or doctoral degrees are employed or continuing their education.

Salaries for those with bachelor's degrees ranged from \$12,422 for journalism graduates to \$23,950 for graduates of the School of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences. The range for those with graduate degrees was from \$19,000 in forestry to \$28,200 for pharmacy and allied health sciences. School of Business graduates had the second highest average salaries at both the undergraduate and graduate degree levels with average salaries of \$20,200 and \$25,436 respectively.

Despite the fact that last year's graduates had excellent success finding jobs, the majority went out of Montana to do so. Only 40 percent of those with jobs were in Montana. The western states of Alaska, California, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming accounted for 22 percent. The remaining 38 percent are employed in 31 other states and three foreign

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countries. Seventy-one percent of law graduates and 52 percent of all doctoral graduate students found jobs in state.

In compiling survey results the Office of Career Services received responses from 47 percent of last year's UM graduates.

A booklet containing survey results, tabulated by major and degree field, is available from the Office of Career Services, University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812.

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